## Iveshead School

# Careers Education

# Guide for Parents & Carers



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#### Dear Parent/Guardian

We want to help all our students develop high aspirations, consider a broad and ambitious range of careers, expand their horizons, embrace what the future has for them and make a positive contribution to the world in which they will serve.

This booklet details the Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance your child will experience during their time at Iveshead school. It also offers links to websites which you may find useful to support your child.

The programme consists of dedicated lessons in PSHRE, CHASE Days, tutor activities and the Cultural Capital Passport, Careers Fairs, GCSE option evenings, Post-16 Tasters and transitions days, visiting speakers, Careers interviews and mock interviews.

Although dedicated lessons are delivered through PSHRE, normal lessons across the whole school will regularly link the learning to their context within the wider world of work.

I hope you find this guide helpful.

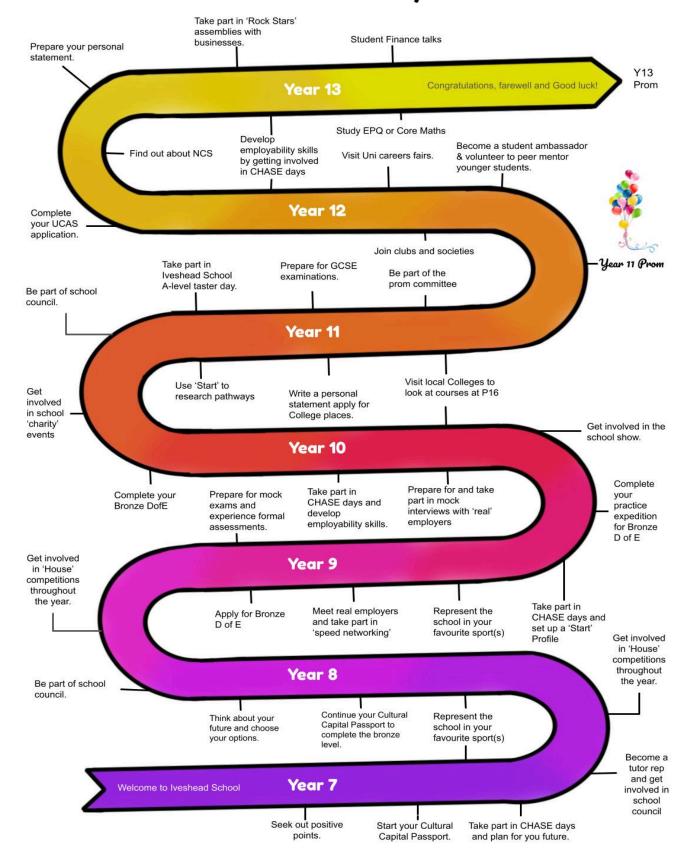
Yours faithfully

C Stevenson
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### CHASE day plan 2021/22

	KS3 and KS4	KS5	CHASE THEME
Oct-13th (weds)	Y7 - Cultural Passport Launch & Introductory Tasks Y8 - (religious buildings trip discussed with HW need to confirm if it's possible) OR Enterprise Y9 - Employability Skills & Willmott Dixon Y10 - Introduction to 'Start' profile & careers & Willmott Dixon Y11 - Progress Grades & Targets reviewed. Careers, Apprenticeships & Pathways (possible visit to a College or Uni)	Year 12 Uni Trip/Year 13 Personal statements/W orld of Work	Careers & Employability Health & Well Being Ambitions & Aspirations STEM Enrichment & Cultural Awareness
Dec- 9th (Thur)	N/A	Year 12 Revision/Year 13	Careers & Employability Health & Well Being Ambitions & Aspirations STEM Enrichment & Cultural Awareness
March - 8th (Tues)	Y7 - STEM? Or Enterprise Y8 - BBC news day (RE) Y9 - Speed Networking Y10 - NCW (National Careers week) Y11 - Growth Mindset, Resilience & Revision	Year 12 UCAS	Careers & Employability Health & Well Being Ambitions & Aspirations STEM Enrichment & Cultural Awareness
Weds 4th May	Y10 only - Mock interviews	N/A	Careers & Employability Health & Well Being Ambitions & Aspirations STEM Enrichment & Cultural Awareness
June - Thur 30th	Y7 - Trip Y8 - Trip Y9 - Health and well being Y10 - Health and well being	Year 13 possible trip	Careers & Employability Health & Well Being Ambitions & Aspirations STEM Enrichment & Cultural Awareness
July Fri 1st	Y7 - Well being day Y8 - Well being day Y9 - Trip Y10 - Trip	Trip for Year 12	Careers & Employability Health & Well Being Ambitions & Aspirations STEM Enrichment & Cultural Awareness

## **Iveshead School Pathway to Success**



#### **Transition**

Our main priority in Year 7 is to help students with the transition from primary school to secondary school. Support is given by the whole staff team on a daily basis. We also provide students with opportunities to grow their teamwork skills, leadership skills, social skills and to develop their confidence through trips, visits, opportunities to join clubs and be involved in the school council. Students are encouraged to record their experiences in their Cultural Capital passports so they keep a record of all their experiences on their journey through Iveshead school.

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### **KS3 - Bronze Cultural Capital Passport Award**

In addition to the PSHRE and Citizenship curriculum delivered in school Year 7 pupils take part in the Cultural Capital Passport Award. The award is a unique programme which empowers students to develop many key skills including leadership skills, resilience and independence. On Friday period 5 students opt into a range of 'Enrichment' activities, completion of these links to key elements of the Cultural Capital Passport. We believe that the skills the students learn while taking part in this award are vital skills for the world of work.

**CHASE Day 1 - Careers and Aspirations** 

CHASE Day 2 - Enterprise/STEM or Cultural awareness

**CHASE Day 3 - Healthy Lifestyles** 

Make sure you look out for our half termly newsletters to see what has been going on across the school community.

During Year 8 students will look at the skills and qualities needed for different types of employment. They will also be choosing their options ready to begin their GCSE studies in Year 9. Students will get GCSE taster lessons and tutor input using the START profile software to help them with their choices. Families will also have the opportunity to attend an options evening to discuss their choices with subject specialist staff.

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CHASE Day 1 - Enrichment & Cultural Awareness

**CHASE Day 2 - BBC News experience** 

**CHASE Day 3 - Healthy Lifestyles** 

During Year 9 students start to think more about the career paths they may follow. Throughout the year subject areas will deliver guidance on where particular subject areas might lead students. They will also learn about how important their personal characteristics are when securing employment. As well as learning about the importance of maintaining a good online reputation.

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Students will also have the opportunity to take part in a 'speed networking' session. Students will prepare for a meeting with real employers by developing a range of questions. They will get to meet employers from a range of sectors and ask questions about employment in these roles.

CHASE Day 1 - Careers and Aspirations
CHASE Day 2 - Speed Networking with real employers
CHASE Day 3 - Health & Well Being

During Year 10 students will be encouraged to think about their next steps and learn about what colleges, apprenticeships and courses are available to them. Students will also learn about the labour market in our local area and how this might affect their career choices. They will also set up a 'Start' profile which is a fantastic resource they can use both at home and in school to research a wide range of different careers and options for studies after their GCSEs.

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All students will take part in a **mock interview** with a **real employer** during Year 10. Students will receive invaluable feedback on their strengths and weaknesses on being in an interview situation.

Students will have an opportunity to request a careers 1:1 Careers interview with a careers advisor.

CHASE Day 1 - Careers and Aspirations
CHASE Day 2 - Meeting employers & mock interviews
CHASE Day 3 - Health & Well Being

During Year 11 our Careers focus will be on 'next steps'. Students will have opportunities to research local Colleges and courses as well as do 'tasters' of A-levels at Iveshead. Students will continue to build their Start Profiles and all **Year 11 students will have 1:1 careers interview** with a Careers Advisor. Students will be emailed the feedback received and should be encouraged to follow up any advice given.

Students across the school are encouraged to develop their knowledge of careers and employability skills through regular tutor inputs and whole school assemblies. They will also have access to a dedicated Careers & Moving on Google Classroom where lots of useful resources are located including local apprenticeship opportunities, careers guidance websites and support materials to help students write CVs and personal statements.

Students will be sign posted towards opportunities such as NCS (National Citizen Service). Tutors, Subject Teachers and the Pastoral Team will work closely to ensure all students feel happy and confident with their next steps in learning. There are also opportunities for students to attend Work Experience placement.







CHASE Day 1 - Careers and Aspirations & Mental health CHASE Day 2 - Preparing for exams & dealing with stress

#### **Post - 16**

During their time in Post-16, students will be guided towards two different pathways: UCAS, Apprenticeships and the world of work employment. Working with Tutors, the Director of Post-16 and the Post-16 Enrichment Coordinator will shape students' pathways and enable them to access targeted career and enrichment opportunities.

We have links with a variety of different organisations and enrichment facilitators such as NCS, Universities of Leicester, Loughborough and Nottingham, Ask Apprenticeships and Leicester & Leicestershire Enterprise Partnership. Throughout the year students will be offered a variety of workshops that will expand their knowledge and understanding of future education and careers and the journey into independent living.

Ask apprenticeships workshops include: Application process of registration and writing of an application, CV writing and mock interviews NCS offer social and emotional workshops, enterprise Loughborough University- University campus days, personal statements advice

Students have the opportunity to take part in careers fayers in both year 12 & 13 including The King Power Stadium and UCAS fairs. In October students take Rock Assembly of online workshops from a range of employers and higher education. Employers pitch to students about careers in those areas and there are also talks on higher education with London Business Universities.

#### **Enrichment**

#### **Clubs & Societies**

Students have various opportunities throughout the year to take part in clubs and societies. Some of these clubs are: Sport- dodgeball, Football and Basketball, Debate Society, Prom Committee, Interact charity events &LGBT. These clubs are offered at lunchtimes and after school

#### **Peer Mentoring**

Year 12 & 13 have the opportunity to take part in the post-16 mentoring programme. Students from post-16 mentor some of the younger students from years 7&8. Post-16 students received training before and during their programme to ensure they are fully prepared to take on the role. Students training sessions include, the role of a mentor, icebreaker activities to communicate with mentees, reading and listening skills, how to give advice and support, safeguarding and how to lead simple maths tasks. Students will meet their mentees once a week in tutor time. Post-16 mentors

can arrange extra sessions with their mentee at other times as long as they are supervised by a teacher.

#### **Student Ambassador Programme**

The student ambassador programme is open to applications from both year 12 & 13. The programme allows students to work closely with staff and students with a subject choice. Students will develop a range of interpersonal skills as well and having an opportunity to gain some experience of working in a team and also working with young people of all abilities. Students will volunteer some of their independent time within the school day to be in lessons or the subject department carrying out task such as equipment management and itinerary of equipment, small group leadership, helping design displays, helping to organise subject events, leading or co-leading a club within that subject. Students may also volunteer some of their time to gain experience after school. Duties could include attending subject information evenings. Helping out with post -16 taster days for the year 11's and charity events for specific subjects.

#### **Work Experience**

Students have opportunities throughout the year to take part in work experience placements offered by external providers, these might include Leicestershire Police, NHS, local businesses. At the moment most of the experiences are virtual due to covid. We are looking forward to organising more of a whole approach to work experience so that every student has at least 1 week of work experience in each year of post-16. This could be organised by the LEBC or other organisations.

#### **Enrichment**

Duke of Edinburgh Commitment to clubs School Show KS3 Enrichment - Friday P5

## **Engaging Parents**

Options evening
Parents evening
Parents Forum
Half termly newsletters

#### **Useful websites**

- \* Students can log in to the 'Start' profile with their school email and set up an account <a href="https://careers.startprofile.com/page/home-page">https://careers.startprofile.com/page/home-page</a>
- \* National Apprenticeship Service www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship
- \* Not going to Uni www.notgoingtouni.co.uk
- \* National Careers Service www.nationalcareers.service.gov.uk
- \* Barclays Life Skills www.barclayslifeskills.com
- \* Leicester Education Business Company www.leics-ebc.org.uk
- \* Guide to university www.thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk
- \* UCAS www.UCAS.com
- \* Amazing Apprenticeships www.amazingapprenticeships.com
- \* World Skills Live www.worldskillsuk.org